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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

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BILL NUMBER: SB 234 BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Education reports.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Lubbers BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FIRST SPONSOR:

FUNDS AFFECTED: GENERAL IMPACT: State & Local

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<u>Summary of Legislation:</u> The bill changes the required publication date and some components of school corporation annual performance reports. The bill removes language concerning the obsolete performance based accreditation program. The bill provides for the transition in publication dates by moving the September 2003 publication date to January 2004.

Effective Date: July 1, 2003.

Explanation of State Expenditures: *Summary:* No additional expenditures would be required at the state level for the implementation of the bill. Currently, the data from school corporations that is used for school corporation annual performance reports is already provided to the Department of Education and placed into the Department's databases. The bill would allow the Department additional time to collect this data for the 2003 school year.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: Summary: By moving the publication of the school year 2002-2003 annual performance report (APR) from September 2003 to January 2004, school corporations could experience a one-time decrease in expenditures related to publishing costs in CY 2003. Savings would depend on the school corporation and local action on the choice of publication used. Approximately 289 school corporations operate on a calendar year budget.

Contents of the Report: The bill changes the requirements on contents of the APR. Additional benchmark/indicator information for student enrollment, more detailed financial information, and various

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school performance-related cost factors would be required in the report under the bill. More detailed counts of teachers that are certified employees and teachers teaching in the subject area for which they are licensed would also have to be included in the APR. However, under the bill, staff professional development and number and types of partnerships with the community, business, or higher education, and levels of parental participation would be included in the report at the discretion of the school corporation.

Background on Publishing Charges: Under current law, basic publishing charges are by the line with squares of 250 ems. Before January 1, 1996, the rate was \$3.30 per square for the first insertion in a newspaper or qualified publication plus \$1.65 per square for each additional insertion in a newspaper or qualified publication. After December 31, 1995, and before December 31, 2005, a newspaper or qualified publication may, effective January 1, increase the basic charges by 5% more than the basic charges that were in effect during the previous year. However, the basic charges for the first insertion of a public notice in a newspaper or qualified publication may not exceed the lowest classified advertising rate charged to advertisers by the newspaper or qualified publication for comparable use of the same amount of space for other purposes. An additional charge of 50% is allowed for the publication of all public notice advertising containing rule or tabular work.

Background on ADM: For the 2001-2002 school year, Indiana's average daily membership (ADM) consisted of 959,611 students, and public school enrollment totaled 995,507. Approximately 1,900 public schools were in operation within Indiana's 293 school corporations during that time.

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: Indiana Department of Education.

Local Agencies Affected: School corporations.

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